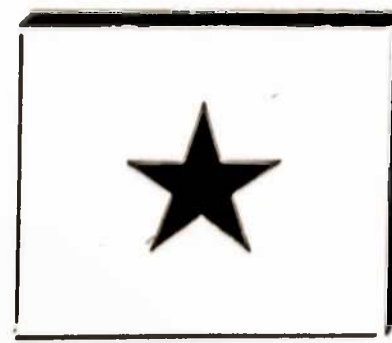




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Mount Hermon

Women's Literary Society

The January meeting of the Women's Literary Society was held Thursday evening in the Schaeffer Memorial library, with Miss Anna L. Miller, Mrs. Leonard W. Ellinwood, Mrs. Lester P. White and Mrs. Louis E. Smith as hostesses. Papers were read on the subject "Plants" by Miss Florence E. Flagg, for many years teacher of botany at Mt. Hermon, Mrs. Irving J. Lawrence, Miss Bertha Martindale and Miss Carrie Nichols. There was an interesting display of illustrations of plants and garden work and a beautiful collection of Johnson hand-colored photographs loaned by the Silliman laboratory through Miss Flagg.

The program opened with a little pageant of the Seasons, given by several of the children, Marjorie Lawrence, Caroline Smith, Verna Mayberry, Naomi and Camilla Rikert, dressed as the seasons; the Barrus twins, Ruth Tabor and Frances Wilberg dressed as flowers, daffodils and rosebuds.

The refreshments, in the shape of little flowerpots with plants in blossom, were ice cream with tiny nosegays of sweet peas and cakes frosted with blossoms in color.

Song Fest

On Saturday evening occurred the song fest which for several years has been led by John E. Daniels Hermon, '90, of Boston. In addition to general singing by the school, Mr. Daniels sang two solos, one which he sang at a concert here in the spring of '26, and his own "Massachusetts," which the boys always call for. Mr. Daniels, who was a member of the Hermon quartet which toured England in the '90's, presents a cup, which was won last year by the Philomathean Literary Society for the best singing of their club at the song fest. The competition for this cup this year was of unusual interest and merit, as the clubs branched out and away from the mere singing of their club songs; the Pierians sang a club song to the tune of the Russian Hymn; the Lyceum club used Mr. Fairfield and his violin for their accompaniment, offering one stanza by Albright, in recitative with piano and violin accompaniment; the Philomatheans had Mr. Small with his xylophone for accompaniment, while the Good Government club won the cup with a negro spiritual, unaccompanied, and an original song of Mr. Daniels instead of the cheer used by the other clubs. The judges were Mrs. H. F. Cutler, Rev. Lester P. White and Leon H. Dunnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Platt entertained Mr. Platt's mother, Mrs. Wardinski, and sister, Miss Anna Wardinski, of Hartford, over last weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Stark, who have been enjoying a sojourn at Battle Creek, Mich., since their return from Europe, are expected at Mt. Hermon on the 22nd of this month. They will visit in Rochester, N. Y., on their way East.

Last Friday, Jan. 10, the faculty of the school gathered at Ford cottage to hear Mr. R. L. Watson give a talk on his travels in Europe and the British Isles last summer, when he spent three months there in company with his daughters, Dorothy and Elsie.

The Sophomores and Freshmen play Friday for second place in the series. If the Sophomores win, it will make a tie for second place. If the Freshmen win, they will hold second place, next to the Seniors. Another game this term will be necessary in case of a tie.

The Sophomore-Junior game was a nip-and-tuck affair, with the Juniors leading all the way until the final minutes of play. With four minutes to go, the Sophomores were four points behind. By some good pass work and shooting they caught up with the Juniors and, with 30 seconds to go, Ned Ferris, center for the Sophomore team, shot the winning basket. This was the most thrilling moment in any game of the series. Score, 27-25.

In spite of the inclement weather on Monday, the girls of the Sophomore class at the Seminary came over to have dinner with the Sophomores of Mt. Hermon and to attend two basketball games in the afternoon, when the Seniors played the Freshmen and the Juniors fought against the Sophomores. In the first game the Seniors surprised everybody by trimming the Freshmen easily. The Frosh team started off very well, but could not keep up the pace of the Seniors. The superior team work and fine spirit have carried the Seniors through a very successful season, as was shown especially well in the last few minutes of the game, which resulted in a score of 43-18 in favor of the Seniors, who now hold the championship of the series.

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THE MORGAN GARAGE

The Republican Caucus

A record attendance at the Republican caucus in Town hall Tuesday night indicated a most praiseworthy interest on the part of the people in town affairs. The highest number of votes cast in one balloting was 157. The caucus was called to order by Charles S. Warner, S. E. Walker was chosen as chairman and J. W. Field as secretary. The voting resulted in the election of the following candidates:

Town clerk, Mrs. H. M. Haskell; town treasurer, Frank W. Williams; selectmen, Frank Montague, George W. Carr and Edward M. Morgan; member of school committee, Mrs. Frank Montague; library trustees, F. O. Duley, Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge; assessor, George W. Piper; cemetery commissioner, Charles Morgan; tax collector, Leon E. Alexander; tree warden, Rodrick Parker; constables, H. M. Haskell, Max Huber and T. F. Darby.

American Legion Auxiliary

At the regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary, held in the Town hall on Jan. 7, it was decided to accept the invitation of the Post to join in arranging an entertainment, to be given at the end of January for the welfare work of the Legion. Miss Edith Steadler is chairman of the committee to co-operate with the Post. The evening will be devoted entirely to local talent from Northfield and neighboring towns. All who know of anyone who can play or sing or do some amusing stunt, please communicate with the committee. We want this to be a community affair in which as many as possible can take part. The proceeds are to go for welfare work among the sick and wounded veterans of the war and their families.

A regular session was held. New members were taken in. Report of the district council meeting was given by the president. The welfare committee reported work done for the month in Northfield. Plans for a membership drive to be held this week were discussed. Any Northfield woman whose father, brother, husband or son was in the Army, Navy or Marine Corps during the World War is cordially invited to communicate with the president, Mrs. Joseph Ross, or the secretary, in regard to membership. In peace, as in war, we serve.

West Northfield South Vernon

Miss Marion Dwyer spent the weekend with friends in Buckland, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. James Long of Dracut, Mass., are visiting their daughter, Mrs. E. P. Edson.

The Parent-Teacher Association will hold a card party at the Pond schoolhouse this (Friday) evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Mrs. George Day, who has been very ill with what they fear are gall stones, was taken to Memorial hospital in Brattleboro, Wednesday morning.

There is quite a lot of sickness in town as well as elsewhere. Mrs. Whitney is ill at the Vernon Home, threatened with pneumonia. She is being cared for by a trained nurse.

The State roads are all glare ice and many people are having accidents by falling on the ice, besides auto accidents. This kind of weather the farmers are getting discouraged about the prospect of getting their ice supply and wood also.

Friends of Rev. George A. Tyler were very sorry to hear he was obliged to resign his pastorate and all other organizations to which he belonged, on the advice of his physician on account of ill health. His many friends are hoping for his speedy recovery. Rev. and Mrs. Tyler expect to remain at the parsonage until March at least, and perhaps longer. He will still have charge of the church services while they are here.

Church services next Sunday will be as follows: Sermon by the pastor, Rev. George E. Tyler, at 10.45 a. m.; church school at 12.05 p. m.; mid-week prayer meeting at the Vernon Home, Thursday at 7.30 p. m. No service Sunday evening at the church. Instead the Vernon church and the So. Vernon church will hold a united service at the Vernon chapel at 3 p. m. Instead of the evening service at 7.15. Please note the change in time. Rev. E. E. Jones is expected to be the speaker.

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Frank H. Leavitt will be sorry to hear they are both quite ill. Mrs. Leavitt has gone to the sanatorium in Pittsford, Vt., and she is not improving. Mr. Leavitt, superintendent of the Vernon Home, has gone to the New England Sanatorium in Melrose, Mass., for a rest and treatment. So much worry and fatigue has brought on his old trouble again that he had when he was pastor of the A. C. church years ago here. His sister, Mrs. Stockwell, has charge of the Home, assisted by Robert Norton, during Mr. Leavitt's absence.

Mrs. Elma Joslyn, widow of the late Charles Joslyn, former resident of this town, who had been very ill with pneumonia, died at the age of 58 years in the home of her daughter, Mrs. William A. Starkey, in Hinsdale, N. H. The funeral was held last week Thursday and was largely attended. There were many beautiful flowers which showed the esteem in which she was held among the townspeople in the community in which she lived. The long funeral procession wended its way to South Vernon, where she was laid to rest beside the body of her husband in Tyler cemetery.

PAGEANT of SHAWLS

Fortnightly Presents Excellent Programme

The Fortnightly club gave a most pleasing entertainment in the Town hall Thursday afternoon, Jan. 9, when, under the direction of Mrs. Frank Montague and her committee, a Pageant of Shawls was presented. The program was preceded by a short business session, during which it was announced that the Fortnightly will co-operate with the Tercentenary committee in the celebration next summer, and that the next meeting of the club will be Friday evening, Jan. 24, in the North church and will be "Gentlemen's Night."

Mrs. Montague then introduced Mrs. Clifton Johnson of Hadley, who has given much study to the manufacture and history of shawls. She held that the shawl is the oldest of all garments. The skin of an animal wrapped around our earliest ancestor was, in fact, a shawl, and from that time to this shawls have played an important part in the protection and adornment of human kind. Shawls are characteristic of the countries in which they are worn, as well as of the periods that mark the progress of time. They are valued for their beauty, their rarity, their associations and the materials of which they are made, some Paisley shawls being worth as much as \$25,000. Mrs. Johnson expressed her pleasure over the fine collection of shawls exhibited in the hall and worn by many of the ladies.

After the address, Mrs. Montague introduced upon the stage the various characters whose shawls corresponded to the parts they took. An Italian girl, Mrs. Mildred Addison, with song by Miss Marion Webster; a young mother, Miss Flora Callahan, singing a lullaby; Scotch lassie, Miss Ferguson, with song; three women going to church, Mrs. Barr, Mrs. J. F. Field and Mrs. Tyler, with song, "The Little Old Church in the Vale," by Miss Marion Webster; old-time parson with Bible, Mrs. Robbins, wearing man's shawl and accompanied by the reading to music of "Grandfather's Bible" by Mrs. Montague; scarf drill by six girls from the seventh and eighth grades; Spanish girl, Mrs. Addison, with song by Miss Webster; school teacher with children, Miss Sheldon; colored mammy, Mrs. Ferguson; Seeing Nellie home, Seth Field and Polly Parker; Mother Macree, Mrs. Charles Parker, with song by Miss Callahan; mother's old red shawl, Mrs. Charles Parker, with song by Miss Ferguson; character costume, Mrs. Hoehn, wearing silk dress worn by her mother at her wedding in Utica, N. Y., in 1870, and lace shawl worn about the same time by her aunt when married in Newark, N. J.

After the program, the company remained to examine more closely the fine exhibit of shawls.

Odd Bits of Local News

Miss Florence Adams of Chestnut Hill, Mass., is spending a few weeks with her father, O. D. Adams, at the Farms.

Webster Collins of Springfield, son of Mrs. Ella Webster Collins, formerly of Northfield, was in town a few days ago calling on relatives and friends.

Raymond Clapp, formerly of Northfield, now manager of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, has just been appointed purchasing agent for the State Farm Bureau.

Many families in Northfield are glad to learn that Mrs. James Quinlan, after an operation at Farren hospital and a critical period of a few days following it, is now improving.

Leon Dunnell has returned after a week's absence, during which he gave organ recitals in Easton, Pa., Paterson, N. J., Forest Hills, L. I., and at the Lido club at Long Beach. Next Sunday afternoon at 4.30 at the Center church, Brattleboro, he will give a recital with Mr. Fairfield, violinist of Mt. Hermon school.

Mrs. E. M. Morgan, president of the Franklin County W. C. T. U. went to Boston Tuesday to attend the celebration by the State organization of the Tenth anniversary of national prohibition at the Hotel Brunswick, yesterday.

This celebration began with a luncheon at 12.30, and was followed by a program which included the following eminent speakers: Dr. James M. Doran, Commissioner of Prohibition Enforcement; Dr. Joseph B. Egan, Master of the Harvard school; Mrs. Esther M. Andrews, member of the Governor's Council, and Dr. A. Z. Conrad of Park Street church.

Social and Play

Northfield Grange will hold a public social in the Grange hall next Monday evening, Jan. 20, at 8 o'clock. The entertainment will consist of a short play in four scenes, entitled, "Mother Goes on Strike." The cast of the characters is as follows: Mother, an old-fashioned, long suffering mother, Mrs. A. M. Wright; Dad, a well-meaning but thoughtless husband, A. M. Wright; Horace, a son of 22, Mark Wright; Helen, a high school daughter of 16, Marion Wells; Barbara, the young sister, Doris Miller; Robert, the young "kid" brother of 10, Carlton Wells; Aunt Emma, the maiden aunt of mother, Mrs. F. E. Wells; Jennie Nutt, the hopelessly untidy servant, Erna Stebbins. Following the play, there will be an opportunity for dancing, playing cards and a good time in general. Admission 25 cents.

Mrs. Frank Maynard

Mrs. Frank Maynard, who had been a patient in the Brattleboro hospital for the past three weeks and had undergone a successful operation a week ago, died at 11.45 Thursday night, Dec. 9, from an unexpected relapse and heart failure. Mrs. Maynard was Miss Eva Graham of Northfield and was married to Mr. Maynard two years ago. She leaves her husband, three sisters, Mrs. Warren Griggs of East Northfield, Mrs. Herman Brown of Vernon, Vt., and Mrs. Walter Neville of Lowell, Mass.; also a brother, Bertie Graham of Chicopee Falls. She was a member of the Congregational church and the funeral services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. F. W. Pattison, in the church Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Our Absentees

In calling the roll of our townspeople who have left us for the winter, we find 14 in Florida—Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Thompson and Miss Isabella at Coconut Grove, Rev. and Mrs. Makepeace at Lynn Haven, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bittinger at Ocala, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Lyman and son, Punta Gorda, Mrs. C. C. Stockbridge at Dade City, Dr. and Miss Calline at Palm Beach, and Miss Lane at St. Petersburg. A dozen more are scattered about. Mr. and Mrs. Callender and Mrs. Bardwell are in Boston. Mrs. N. P. Wood in El Monte, Cal., Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Moody and Miss Betty in Chicago, Mrs. and Miss Foreman in Portsmouth, Va., Mrs. Allen in Springfield and Miss McLaren in Connecticut.

Fire in Barber District

Fire completely destroyed the home, with practically all its contents, of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lanphier, in the Barber district, last Saturday night. The cause of the fire is not known. The \$500 insurance will be but a small compensation for the loss. Mr. Lanphier and family came to Northfield about five years ago. He is employed as night watchman for the seminary. For the time being they will occupy the Bolton cottage on Hinsdale road.

Gentlemen's Night

The next meeting of the Fortnightly club will be held in the vestry of the North church Friday evening, Jan. 24, and will be the annual "Gentlemen's Night." A program of interest is being arranged. The hostesses will be Mrs. Frary, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Leach, Mrs. Barr, Mrs. Evans, Mrs. Charles Morgan, Mrs. A. Lyman, Mrs. E. Morgan, Mrs. Mann and Miss Braley.

S. S. Faculty Meeting

The S. S. Faculty meeting of the North church met last Monday evening, and in the absence of Mrs. Robinson of Holyoke, who was prevented from coming by illness, turned the program into one bearing on the religious education department of the church. Mrs. Fred Holton gave an account of the Bible study in the Sunday school, which is maintaining its place of importance and interest. Mrs. Lawrence Lazelle told of the special work that is being done by Mrs. L. R. Smith's Bible class, which is now in its 32nd year. It has met continuously during this time with the exception of but one year.

Mrs. Patterson spoke of the work along the lines of missionary education, meaning the giving of information about the missionary fields, missionary needs and methods. A sleigh ride for the Junior department some Saturday afternoon and a prize geranium contest during the summer was planned.

4-H Club Work in Northfield, 1929

Northfield had 121 clubs enrolled during the year 1929. This is one of the largest enrollments in any town in Franklin County. There were organized clubs with leaders as follows: Northfield Farms, Miss Dorothy Wright; district No. 3, Clarissa Truesdell; Center, two clubs, led by Miss Aurelia Ferguson and Miss Norma Thurston, and two clubs at West Northfield, led by Miss Marion Dwyer and Alfred Evans. The club members were enrolled in the following kinds of club work: Garden, poultry, dairy, food, clothing and handicraft. Visits made by the club agents to all the schools and to club meetings for the purpose of enrollment, instruction and demonstration. Farm and home visits were made for inspection and advice. Necessary literature, text books, record books and letters of instruction and information were furnished to all club members.

The clubs carried out very successful programs and did highly satisfactory work. The most notable was along the lines of clothing and handicraft. Public exhibits were held by all the clubs and were attended by a large number of people. At these exhibits much of the work of the club members was displayed and programs of entertainment given. The 4-H Club work in Northfield is outstanding in the county, both in quality and quantity. The club agents assisted at the Northfield fair. A local leader's training meeting was held to instruct the leaders in the various phases of their club work, including business, social and subject matter. Horace Bolton was a member of the county demonstration dairy team that competed in the State contest.

For Greenfield Hospital

Northfield recently raised \$59 for the Franklin County hospital by means of a "travelling food sale." The success of this drive was due to the faithful work of the following committee: Mrs. Allen Wright, chairman; Mrs. Earl Lilly, Mrs. Harry Lewis, Mrs. Thomas Parker, Mrs. George Peffer, Mrs. Charles Leach, Mrs. Theodore Darby, Mrs. C. W. Mattern, Mrs. W. G. Webster, Miss Dorothy Newton, Mrs. Philip Mann. The school children of Northfield, Northfield Farms and West Northfield generously donated the following vegetables, canned goods, etc.: Half bushel onions, three bushels carrots, 250 pounds squash and pumpkins, half bushel potatoes, two pounds turnips, six heads cabbage, six quarts canned vegetables, two cans tomato soup, 28 jars jelly, one quart can jelly, one quart grape juice, one box raisins, one and a half quarts pickles, nine and a half quarts canned fruit, one dozen oranges, one dozen bananas, five pounds apples and 10 pounds sugar.

Marino—Page

Pasquale Marino of Northfield and Miss Ruth N. Page of West Chesterfield, N. H., were married by the Rev. F. W. Pattison at his home in East Northfield, Wednesday, Jan. 1. Mr. and Mrs. Marino plan to make their home in Brattleboro at 87 Clark ave.

COMING EVENTS IN NORTHFIELD

If officers or members of local organizations or committees will send in dates of their functions well in advance, we will be glad to print them in this column, without charge.

American Legion meeting, Town Hall, last Friday in every month.

American Legion Auxiliary—Regular meeting first Tuesday of each month in the Legion room of the Town hall.

North Church, Sunday School Faculty, second Monday in month, 6 p. m.

Northfield Historical Society, First Tuesday in December, March, June and September.

Jan. 20—Friendly class supper and social at the Northfield Hotel.

Jan. 21—Brotherhood supper and program at the Congregational church.

Jan. 22—Berean class will meet with Mrs. P. W. E. Hart.

Jan. 24—"Gentlemen's Night" at the Fortnightly meeting, in North church.

Feb. 6—Men's club at the Unitarian church.

Hinsdale, N. H.

Masons Installed

Jessie W. Field, past master, assisted by Robert A. Weeks, past master, installed the officers of Golden Rule lodge, A. F. and A. M., No. 77, Thursday evening, Jan. 9. The officers for 1930 are: Worshipful master, C. Raymond Hildreth; senior warden, Albert H. Post; junior warden, Paul Chamberlain; senior deacon, Mark Chamberlain; junior deacon, P. L. O'Connor; treasurer, Fred W. Colton; secretary, Roger F. Holland; chaplain, Rev. John A. Haines; marshal, William H. Booth; tyler, Louis M. Stearns; senior steward, William McNally; junior steward, Leroy Carpenter; organist, Eldon Sargent.

Mrs. George H. Pike entertained the B. B. club Tuesday.

Miss L. Adelaide Barbrick was in Haverhill, Mass., the last of the week. Mrs. Raymond E. Bruce of Cohasset, Mass., was here from Friday until Sunday.

Mrs. Roger F. Holland entertained the A. B. club this week Wednesday evening.

Miss Isabel Briziski visited at her home in Greenfield, Mass., over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Robertson were in Springfield, Mass., Wednesday and Thursday.

Wendell Gove is home from the University of New Hampshire, where he is a student.

Mrs. Ruth DeForest of Greenfield, Mass., was a guest of her sister, Mrs. Walter H. Barrett, from Friday until Sunday.

Miss Helen Hawley of the local high school faculty spent the week-end at her home in Holyoke, Mass.

Mrs. Charles A. Fletcher and Mrs. Ray L. Fletcher visited relatives in Brattleboro this week Tuesday.

Miss Katherine Pierce of Berlin, N. H., a graduate of Middlebury college, '29, who has taught languages in the local high school since September, has sent in her resignation. Miss Pierce has accepted a position as private tutor at Irving-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

John Duggan, William Duggan, Francis Duggan, Dennis Duggan and Mr. and Mrs. John E. Manning attended the funeral of Mrs. Hannah (Fleming) Dundon, which was held in St. Michael's Roman Catholic church in Brattleboro this week Tuesday morning.

At the annual meeting of the Universalist Society, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Leonard, Monday evening, the following officers were re-elected: Frederick S. Leonard, moderator; John M. Lamb, clerk; John H. Smith, treasurer; Clarence D. Fay, trustee for three years.

The Sons of Veterans auxiliary gave a very successful card party last Thursday evening at G. A. R. Hall. Emil Drulla won the first prize for men and the first prize for ladies was won by Mrs. Arthur Roberts. The second prizes were won by Glosie Bentley and Mrs. Fannie Bonnett. There were eight tables of whist and one of pitch. Sandwiches, coffee and cake were served. The auxiliary will hold another party Jan. 23.

A surprise party was given Friday evening, Jan. 10, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence B. O'Neal by the officers of Wantastiquet Grange who have served under Frank J. Walker, master during that time. Thirty-five members were present and Mr. Walker was presented a fitted travelling bag by his associates. Mrs. Walker was presented a bouquet. Cards and carom were played. Refreshments of chicken sandwiches, rolls, macaroons, pickles and coffee were served.

Northfield Farms

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Cluff have moved back into the meadow.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Stoddard of Orange were guests of Mrs. Charles Morgan, Friday, and attended the Fortnightly at Northfield.

Hazel Hammond is ill at her home from the effects of having several teeth out, and Jeanette has been having a touch of pleurisy and cold.

Wilfred B. Preston spent the weekend at the home of Mrs. Osgood Leach. There was a good attendance from the "Farms" at the Republican caucus at Northfield Tuesday night.

Rev. Charles White, pastor of Millers Falls Congregational church, spoke at No. 4 schoolhouse Sunday evening. His topic was "Types." A large audience was in attendance. The people of Mr. White's church rendered musical selections.

Bank Meeting

The annual meeting of the Northfield National Bank was held at the bank on Tuesday morning at 11 a. m. There were 203 shares of stock represented. The following directors were elected: Clarence P. Buffum, William F. Hoehn, Richard G. Holton, Elliott Speer, Charles C. Stearns, Allen H. Wright, Frank W. Williams. The following officers were elected: William F. Hoehn, president; Frank W. Williams, vice president; Merwin D. Birdsall, cashier. The financial report, as printed in the Press last week, was rendered and accepted.

Special Notice

The Town Warrant will close Saturday. All articles must be in by 6 p. m.

THE FEATHERHEADS

By Osborne



MALAY STATES



Rubber Planter's Home in Malay States.

(Prepared by the National Geographic Society, Washington, D. C.)

THE Federated Malay states, on Asia's southernmost peninsula, have been literally snatched from an all-covering wild vegetation. Where once the choking jungle crowded men back, a jungle so thick that a man swimming in a stream could hardly land because vines and plants hugged so close to the water's edge—broad fields have now been cleared, and Malaya plantations are among the richest in the world.

Forty-five years ago a few para rubber plants smuggled out of Brazil fruited here. Today, three-fourths of the world's rubber comes from this region. And in this magic development Americans have played a leading role.

This Malay peninsula, stretching hundreds of miles from the Siamese frontier down toward the equator, forms a vast humid region of dense forests of jungle, wild elephants, snakes, and naked people, rice fields, rubber plantations, and tin mines.

There is a governmental mixture in this region. Singapore, built on a tiny green isle of the same name, which lies just off the end of the peninsula and nearly on the equator, is the capital of the British crown colony commonly called the Straits Settlements. This colony embraces the Province of Wellesley, the Dindings and Malacca on the mainland, and the islands of Penang and Singapore.

The Federated Malay states, on the peninsula and adjoining the Straits Settlements, comprise the States of Perak, Selangor, Pahang, and Negri Sembilan. Kuala Lumpur is the capital.

Just opposite Singapore, on the mainland, is the independent native state of Johore, which has its own sultan and government, but which is under British protection. The British governor of Singapore is also high commissioner for the Federated Malay states and Brunel, and British agent for north Borneo and Sarawak, thus linking up British possessions and spheres of influence in all Malaya and establishing close contact, through one man, with the colonial office in London.

Many Races There.

"The Melting Pot of Asia," they call this prolific, potent peninsula, because of the babel of races, colors, and castes which its wealth of rubber and tin has drawn to it. But in all this industrial army of Europeans, Chinese, Japanese, Tamils, Hindus, and assorted South Sea Islanders, the Chinese are the most numerous and powerful.

The Malay himself is too lazy even to be a good fisherman. He grows a little rice, a few coconuts, and nets the fish he needs; but nature is so kind that it is said one hour's effort a day will support him and his family.

It is the Chinaman who is the tin miner, the farmer, shopkeeper, artisan, contractor, and financier. The Tamil and the Hindu add to the stock of local labor and own small farms and herds, but the many millionaires made in Malaya have mostly been Chinese. The palatial homes of the rich Chinese bosses in Singapore and Penang, in contrast with the miserable shacks of the natives, afford proof enough of the singular commercial superiority of the yellow race.

Here, indeed, Chinese immigration has worked a modern miracle in the magic reclamation of this once reeking, fever-cursed, jungle-grown wilderness. The Chinese it was who first braved the poisonous farts of the lurk-

ing savage, the perils of tigers and reptiles, the flames of fever, and the danger of dysentery, to conquer these jungles and dig the tin that put Malaya on the map of the trading world. Chinese say that tin "grows" and they use the divining rod to locate it.

Singapore is both a great trading center and fortress of the Far East. It is a shining example of how Great Britain has "muddled"—as the British themselves put it—into possession of some of the world's most important strategic gateways. Singapore is an island 27 miles long by 14 wide, and just misses being the southernmost point of the continent of Asia by a half-mile water channel. It is at the funnel point of the Strait of Malacca, which extends between the Malay peninsula and the island of Sumatra, the great water highway between India and China.

How Raffles Made Singapore.

Little more than a hundred years ago the island, owned by the sultan of Johore on the nearby mainland, was a deserted jungle save for a little fishing village. Ships in the China trade passed it by as they passed many another jungle shore; the only ports of call in that region of the world were those on the Dutch islands of Sumatra and Java. But these ports took a big toll in fees, and Sir Stamford Raffles, an official of the East India company, began to dream of a free British port that would facilitate trade. In 1819 he obtained the seemingly worthless island of Singapore for his company for a small fee. Developments quickly proved him a prophet, for within two years the little trading center he established had a population of 10,000. It was only in 1822 that the British government consented to take an interest in the place.

In the little more than a hundred years since it was founded, the jungle of Singapore has given place to a huge city of close to 400,000 population, carrying on trade valued at a billion dollars annually—one of the metropolises of the British empire. Its quays and anchorages serve thousands of craft of all sorts and sizes, from the picturesque, graceful Malay sampans and the spongy Chinese junks to the familiar freighters of the West, and what Kipling asserts are the "lady-like" liners. They build up Singapore's shipping to the tremendous total of 17,000,000 tons yearly.

Though Singapore is free from duties, and to this fact owes its very existence, still the people who make up the city take their toll from the stream of world trade that flows about them. They live, in fact, by and for, and in an atmosphere of commerce. Tens of thousands make their livings by caring for shipping, conditioning and supplying vessels, and taking part in loading and unloading goods. The port is primarily a trans-shipping point for both imports and exports. It gives what the economists would call "place value" to hundreds of commodities which trickle to Singapore's reservoirs of goods from scores of districts in the East and are there obtainable in the large quantities that world trade demands. In the city's "godowns"—as the East calls its warehouses—are handled a very large part of the world's finest rubber before it begins the long journey that will take most of it eventually to American highways. So, too, much of the world's tin is melted in and shipped from Singapore. It might be dubbed "the world's pepper pot," for more pepper is assembled there than is ever held in any other port.

Real Cosmopolitan City.

If ever a city could claim to be cosmopolitan, Singapore can. At one of the principal world crossroads, and with a population 100 per cent immigrant, it could not escape cosmopolitanism. It has drawn its population from practically all parts of Asia, from Oceania, the Malay archipelago, Africa, Europe and America. The Chinese predominate, making up about one-half the population. There have been many thousands of immigrants from India. Europeans, Americans and Australians number less than 10,000, and there are probably as many Japanese.

The appearance of Singapore shows its mixture of many influences. The visitor may ride in rickshaws or electric cars, automobiles or ancient horse-drawn carriages. In the chief business district he sees modern streets and buildings, and in the Asiatic quarters he encounters facilities and sights and odors that smack of the Orient. Singapore's houses of worship furnish an excellent index to its varied life. There are Christian cathedrals and churches, Moslem mosques, and the temples of half a dozen or more Indian and Chinese and Japanese faiths.

Without making use of reiteration one can hardly describe the physical aspects of Singapore island adequately. It is an island of red, red soil and green, green verdure. The soil is poor, but since Singapore is almost at the equator and moist, vegetation might be said to grow furiously. There is an unending fight between it and the coolies who strive to prevent its vivid green waves from engulfing the conspicuous red roads and cleared spaces.

So, here in the strait, Raffles early declared that the principles of British law should be applied with patriarchal mildness and indulgent consideration for the prejudices of each tribe. All native institutions, such as religious ceremonies, marriage and inheritance, were respected, when not inconsistent with justice and humanity. In this policy lies the secret of British colonial success.

So-Called Middle Ages

Imaginary, Says Writer

The Middle ages never existed. The journalistic John Addington Symonds and others to the contrary, modern historians of scientific temper know that the content which the phrase commonly holds for the popular mind is a myth, a phase and a provocative tool of that impinging superstition of the modern world—the superstition of Humanism.

When Flavio Blondo surveyed the world from 410 to 1410 and, conveniently, laid it out in a series of "decades," he was doing no more than to flatter the self-centering illusions of those of his contemporaries who were zealously devoted to the newly fashionable literate humaniores.

Hence the picture of a vast expanse of time, as mortal reckoning goes, extending from the wall of the Roman empire in the West in 476 to the fall of Constantinople in 1453, a dark and desolate waste peopled by the scholastic ghosts of thought, the intellect numbed and shivering. . . . Read a popularizer like Symonds, and you will get this latter picture: A world that has been blindfolded for centuries suddenly tearing the bandages from its eyes and awakening to the fact that life is life and filled with a spring-like joy.

It is a charmingly naive conception—charming, but naive. Unfortunately, the working out of human destinies in a corporate society is not quite so simple an affair as all that.—From "Rabelais: Man of the Renaissance," by Samuel Putnam.

Abundant Proofs That

Sound Waves Can Kill

Living creatures can be struck dead by sound waves too highly pitched for the human ear to hear them, writes T. O. Bridges. These high frequency waves—called super-sonics—have been tried on animals and produced instant death. The sound appears to shatter the blood corpuscles, and death is as sure and sudden as if the creatures had been struck by lightning. Sound can do many things which seem mysterious and almost miraculous. For instance, fire can be extinguished by sound. Some little time ago Mr. Charles Kellogg of California gave a demonstration of the power of sound over flame, and by drawing a violin bow across a piece of aluminum extinguished a burning gas jet at 50 feet. Sound vibrations can not only break a wine glass but can damage a building. It is suspected that the deep, vibrating notes of organs can cause vibrations which may actually weaken the structure of a church or cathedral.

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A SMOOTHER, FASTER, BETTER SIX



1—Neptune's envoys announce the coming of 1930 on the sands of Santa Monica, Calif. 2—Senator Frederick M. Sackett of Kentucky who was selected as American ambassador to Germany. 3—Office in the State, War and Navy building, formerly occupied by General Pershing, now used by President Hoover while the executive office building is being repaired after the fire.

NEWS REVIEW OF CURRENT EVENTS

Prohibition Enforcement Is Still the Chief Topic in Washington.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

PROHIBITION enforcement continued to be the dominant question in Washington, and the dry leaders in congress were especially vocal in the controversy. The most important development of the week was the statement by Senator Wesley L. Jones of Washington that during conferences with members of the Hoover crime commission he had been glad to learn that the commission is unanimous in agreeing that its function is to devise the best means possible for enforcement of the Eighteenth amendment. Senator Jones averred that the commission holds that the wisdom or unwisdom of the amendment is not involved in its work.

This was held to be a severe blow to the hopes of the wets, though it is hard to see how the latter could have expected the commission to try to determine the practicability of prohibition.

Senator Jones asserted that the dry phase of the commission's work should be completed by July 1 and warned that a clear and convincing showing of its need will have to be made before funds for prolonging the prohibition inquiry beyond that date are made available. As Jones is prospective chairman of the senate finance committee, he will be in a position to supervise funds asked for the commission's work.

The Washington senator continued: "I find that an important report has already been given to the President. It will be submitted to the congressional joint committee sought by the President as soon as created and ready for work. Other reports will be ready soon."

"All seem to view the industrial alcohol situation as the most difficult one to solve properly, as well as one of the most important phases of prohibition enforcement. In working this out the commission should shield no individual and no line of business."

Senator Borah of Idaho repeated his attacks on the present dry enforcement personnel, asserting that "practically open saloons" are to be found all over the land. "When I say this," he said, "I do not mean simply New York or Chicago. I mean to state a condition which prevails throughout the country. I do not assume that you can catch every bootlegger. But the open flaunting, defiant, persistent disregard of the law, day after day and month after month, with no effort being made to stop it, calls for discussion."

Mr. Borah sent one or two letters to President Hoover, and though their contents were not made public it was understood the senator offered proof of his assertions, and it was indicated that if the administration did not make use of the information given he would lay his evidence before congress.

Then came F. Scott McBride, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, with a statement in which he took issue with Borah's charges.

"The prohibition department has been doing good work, but there are places where conditions can be bettered," McBride said. "These will be found and corrected. The Department of Justice has had some bad spots. Mr. Mitchell has been active in correcting these but the job has yet to be completed."

"The most hopeful sign about the situation is the fact that the legislative officers, as well as the administrative officers, including the President, are not sidestepping responsibility as has been true under some former conditions and the fact that in the Capital and all over the country enforcement is responding to official insistence."

Senator Brookhart of Iowa, the unrelenting foe of Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, renewed his demands that President Hoover remove the secretary from his cabinet, and also declared that Undersecretary of the Treasury Ogden Mills, Assistant Sec-

retary Seymour Lowman and Prohibition Commissioner James M. Doran should be dismissed.

COAST guardsmen seeking to prevent the landing of liquor near Newport, R. I., opened fire on a rum running boat, the Black Duck, and killed three members of the crew. Their action was upheld by their superiors, but the incident serves to provide more ammunition for the enemies of the Eighteenth amendment.

In old Faneuil hall, Boston, the Liberal Civic league held a mass meeting that sent to President Hoover a message asking a searching investigation of the slayings by the coast guard, and after the meeting a mob attacked the coast guard station.

Celebrants of New Year's eve in the larger cities found their activities were subjected to rather less interference by the enforcement officers than in recent years. The supply of intoxicating liquor seemed unlimited, though it is admitted most of it was synthetic with bogus labels.

THOUSANDS of Washingtonians and visitors to the National Capital attended the New Year's day reception held by President and Mrs. Hoover. Among the callers were the members of the cabinet, the handsomely garbed diplomatic corps, senators and representatives and many high officers of the army and navy. Sir Esme Howard, the British ambassador, and Lady Isabella were the first of the long line of diplomats to wish the Hoovers a happy New Year.

The chief justice and Mrs. Taft were missing from the White House reception for the first time in years, owing to the death of Charles P. Taft.

Over in Berlin President von Hindenburg for the first time held a similar reception. The diplomats there disputed over the matter of precedence, for their dean is the ambassador from Russia and the representatives of the United States and other powers that have not recognized the Soviets naturally would not follow him. Finally it was agreed that the French ambassador, De Margerie, should lead the way and present to the president the good wishes of the diplomats.

IF JOUETT SHOUSE, chairman of the Democratic national executive committee, knows what he is talking about, we are not likely to have a new tariff act in the near future. He issued a statement in Lexington in which he said that either the coalition tariff measure, which attempts to carry out the promise of real tariff benefits for the farmers, will be enacted or there will be no tariff bill at all.

"That latter," he said, "is the more probable outcome, which means that months and months of congressional sessions have been utterly wasted because of the effort to jam through a tariff revision that had no reason in economy or justifiable excuse at this time."

INDIA'S Nationalists under the leadership of Mahatma Gandhi have taken a bold step toward independence for their country. The national congress, with only six dissenting votes out of 2,000, adopted Gandhi's resolution for a middle course toward the objective. The resolution authorized the all-India congress committee, an executive body of about 300 members, to launch, whenever it thinks the time ripe, a program of civil disobedience to include non-payment of taxes and similar resistance to British rule.

The Indian Liberal federation has accepted the British declaration of ultimate dominion status for India.

ALL British Samoa was stirred by an event that, while not bulking large in world affairs, was a real tragedy to the natives of those islands. Two white men who have championed the demands of the natives that they be treated by the New Zealand government as equals instead of subjects returned to Apia and the Samoans gathered to welcome them. The police tried to arrest one of the white men and a riot resulted. The police opened fire with machine guns, and nine men were killed, including Tamasese, high chief and an opposition leader. Western Samoa has been under mandate to New Zealand since 1920 and the natives are forced to pay heavy taxes for the support of a horde of useless officials, as well as being subjected to oppressive laws and regu-

lations. The Mau, or native league, is trying to get New Zealand to give up its mandate, wishing the islands to be taken over by the United States and consolidated with Eastern Samoa. Of course the New Zealand government refuses to consider such a plan.

PRINCE CAROL seemingly is still trying to gain the throne of Rumania, and Italy is reported to have espoused his cause in a way that has aroused the anger of the Rumanians. Recently Signor Preciosi, Italian minister to Bucharest, called at the Rumanian foreign office and informed it in the name of the Italian government that Italy considered it necessary to regularize the dynastic succession to the Rumanian throne and that Prince Carol should be recalled to Rumania and crowned king.

The Rumanians do not dare to make effectual protest against this interference in their internal affairs for they fear they would be isolated in their quarrel with Yugoslavia, which they and Italy regard as an enemy.

THERE was great rejoicing and celebration in China over the announcement of the Nationalist government that extraterritoriality was to be summarily ended on January 1. But the state council's mandate evidently was issued for home consumption and it had little or no effect in the treaty ports, where the foreign officials still declined to let their nationals be tried in native courts. Foreign Minister C. T. Wang said his government was prepared to consider and discuss, within a reasonable time, any representations made by foreign nations with reference to the Chinese decision to end the consular court system and assume legal jurisdiction over foreigners.

SENATOR FREDERICK M. SACKETT of Kentucky has been selected as ambassador to Germany. He was cruising in the West Indies when informed of this fact and that the German government had announced that his appointment was acceptable to it. Mr. Sackett started back to Washington at once, saying he would resign from the senate and soon be ready to leave for Berlin.

KENNETH HAWKS, movie director and sportsman, and nine other men engaged in the filming of venture-some air "shots," were hurled to death in the Pacific ocean in two tangled, blazing monoplane off the Palos Verdes hills, 25 miles from Los Angeles.

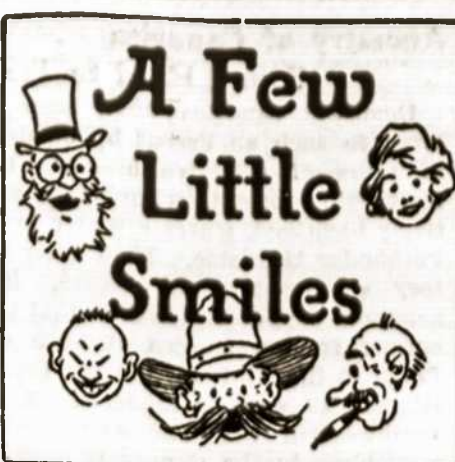
Eyewitnesses said that one of the two planes poised above the other and then, as if the pilot had lost his vision in the piercing rays of the setting sun, had darted down and struck the top of the lower plane. After a momentary shudder a wing broke and one of the planes exploded. The other plane, tangled in the debris of its blazing companion, became engulfed in flames and the two swept down to the depths of the ocean.

SCOTLAND'S worst tragedy of 1929 came just at the close of the year. A moving picture theater at Paisley was thronged with children attending a gala performance when fire broke out in the projection booth. Panic ensued, and within a few moments seventy little ones were dead and scores injured.

MOST noteworthy of the deaths of the week was that of Charles P. Taft, Cincinnati newspaper publisher and half-brother of William Howard Taft, former President and now chief justice of the United States Supreme court. Eighteen months ago Mr. Taft was stricken with pneumonia and he never had fully recovered. He had a distinguished career as a lawyer and publisher, served one term in congress and was prominent in state and civic affairs.

NEW YEAR'S day was Football day in California. In the great Rose Bowl at Pasadena the University of Southern California met the undefeated team from the University of Pittsburgh and fairly swamped it, winning by a score of 47 to 14. In San Francisco teams of star college players from the East and the West battled in a game for charity, the Easterners scoring 19 points to 7 for their rivals.

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FORESIGHT

He was visiting the newlyweds at their home. Everything was fine, but—

"Why did you take an apartment with such a tiny kitchenette, Tom, old boy?"

"Well, you're the first man I've told, so keep it quiet. It's so small I can't get in there to help my wife when she's doing the dishes."

A REINCARNATION SURE



Friend (referring to new-born babe) "Just think, Tom, there's your son having his first day of crying." Dad—"I can hardly think it is Jim—sounds to me like he's had a lot of practice before."

Antarctic Advantage
Yonder, in far Antarctic seas,
The ships repose amid a freeze
And make us envy icy storm,
While weather prophets say "fair and warm."

Play Today
"Play is more complicated these days."
"Heh?"
"Look at those kids playing Indians."
"Well?"
"They have a movie machine and a director."

Se's Resistance
Clerk (showing customer golf stockings)—Wonderful value, sir. Worth double the money. Latest pattern, fast color, holeproof, won't shrink, and it's a good yarn.
Customer—Yes, and very well told.
—Wall Street Journal.

Poor Little Rich Gal
"I thought your dad was going to send you away to school this winter." The flapper was somewhat bitter in her explanation.
"So far he hasn't been able to find a fashionable reform school."

MEAN INDEED



"You say Jack's father is miserably mean?"
"Yes, he's so mean he wouldn't even give Jack a liberal education."

Who Has the Answer?
I ask a simple question,
This only truth I wish:
Are all fishermen liars,
Or do only liars fish?

Not Running
"Are you still running for congress?"
"Running?" repeated Senator Sargent. "Not at all. I have matters so arranged that I can depend on winning in a walk."—Washington Star.

No Reason for It
Author—I see you have my novel. I suppose you had a peep at the last page to see how it ended?

Candid Woman—As a matter of fact, after reading two chapters I wondered why it began!

Dad Went Along
"This is going to be a quiet party."
"I thought we had a snappy chaperon."

"Too snappy. When she called on dad to see if I could attend, he decided to go, too."

Not Understood
She—I wouldn't think of marrying such an intelligent monstrosity and physical misfit as you are—you numbskull! Do you get me?

He—Well, from the general trend of your conversation, I should judge not.

Reception Day
"Mr. President, I am honored in meeting you."
"Thank you, sir."
"I have no advice to offer you."
"Won't you stay for lunch?"

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Friday, January 17, 1930

What Is It To Be Educated?

Northfield stands for education. Besides our public schools, we have Northfield Seminary and Mount Hermon School for Boys, which, together, have over a thousand students. These have come here seeking the advantages of an education. They may not fully realize what these advantages are. They may not have a clear idea as to what it is to be educated, but this may be said of many of us whose school days are over. What is an education? There are a good many definitions. Sherwood Eddy goes into the question in a book he has recently written and to which he gives the title "Am I Getting an Education?" It is largely an inquiry into the purposes, the methods and the results of American Colleges and Universities—some of which have been weighed in the balances and have been found wanting. The main purpose of the book seems to have been to stimulate college and university students to ask themselves the question on the title page. But inasmuch as education may go on through all time, it is well for us all to ask "Am I Getting an Education?"—an education of course of the right sort. Mr. Eddy suggests that by asking the following questions we may know the kind of an education we are getting:

1. Am I learning to study and to think?
2. Am I getting the knowledge that I need most? Am I learning to enjoy things that are worth while? Am I acquiring esthetic appreciation of the significant values of life?
3. Am I living in the real world or in a corner apart? Am I learning to live by living now; by acquiring some vital knowledge of the world and its real problems, by actually facing them and beginning to try to solve them now? Or am I evading or postponing life, playing about with its trifles in a thoughtless and unreal academic world?
4. Am I progressing, standing still, or going backward?

He then reminds us, as he concludes his symposium, of the ten points that make an educated man, as these are given by Dr. George A. Coe in his book, "What Ails Our Youth?"

1. An educated man is one who is trained to use the tools of human intercourse with readiness, precision and accuracy. We mean, especially, language and the rudiments of numbers.
2. An educated man must be able to study and to think without guidance from others. He must be—some extent—a thinker, not a mere imitator.
3. An educated man must have sufficient knowledge of nature to understand the main processes upon which human life and happiness depend.
4. An educated man knows enough of history to enable him to understand the main achievements of man.
5. An educated man is acquainted with the major resources for intellectual and esthetic enjoyment. He knows nature, literature, music, and the other arts sufficiently to choose superior to inferior enjoyments.
6. An educated man is marked by his interests as well as by his trained abilities. His attention is habitually attracted by significant rather than trivial objects, events, pursuits and enjoyments.
7. An educated man must have not only this general culture, but also training for a specific occupation. Focalized activity that is directed toward some sort of efficiency has to be included.
8. An educated man must have toward his fellows the habitual attitudes that are commonly called ethical—such attitudes as honor and honesty, helpfulness and good-will and co-operation.
9. An educated man must have loyalties to at least some of the important organizations and institutions of society, such as one's family, one's country, one's church.
10. If there is an inclusive meaning in life, the sort of education that I have been outlining should include some apprehension of, and feeling for, the divine; the ideally educated man will reverence God, and know how to worship.

It is our belief that all who have the care and guidance of our youth in Northfield's schools, whether public or endowed, are in full sympathy with the definitions and ideals thus set

forth. Our schools and our teachers are therefore worthy of our pride, our encouragement and our support.

Granaries or Deer Pits?

The question raised in last week's Press as to the circular holes found at the site of the old Indian village Natanis, near the Mount Hermon cemetery, has brought the following reply in favor of the belief that they were used as granaries:

Jan. 13, 1930.

Dear Editor:

In reply to the skeptic Historicus, please tell him that these are the reasons which make us certain that the granaries which he questions are not "deer pits":

1. They are located on a high bluff right next to the planting fields and fort of the village Natanis. History leaves no doubt as to the site of the village itself and we have found additional proof. The peculiar location of these holes in the ground and the proximity of the village proves conclusively that they were not deer traps but community granaries.
2. The fact that nearby on the lower plain was found the Indian burying ground also goes to prove that these were granaries, not deer traps, because the Indians held their dead in were granaries, not deer traps, vicinity of a burying ground.
3. Like other granaries, these are very perfect in their circular shape, for which there would have been no reason in the case of deer traps. Their size, as has been said, was due to the fact that they were community storehouses rather than individual ones.
4. We have found no reference in early history to the use of deer pits by our local Indians. There is mention that they used yank-ups and deer drives very effectively.
5. Authorities tell us that they kept large winter supplies of dried fish, berries, meat, corn, etc., in granaries such as these, and knowing that a large village and fort existed here, it is only logical to believe that these are granaries.

If further information is desired, may I suggest that any one who is interested attend the meetings of the Northfield Historical Society.

HISTORY.

Communication

In point of attendance, interest and excitement, all records were shattered at the caucus held in the Town hall Tuesday evening. This is exactly as it should be, for it proves beyond any question of doubt that the new officers were elected by the town. In past years the caucus has been a most neglected and sickly affair. Now it has not only made a gesture towards a living reality, but it has developed into a moment of importance and a sense of responsibility, from a citizen's standpoint.

PHIL PORTER.

Think Safety

If our terrible accident record is to be lowered, Americans must learn to think in terms of accident prevention. In the home, in industry and in the automobile the majority of accidents occur not only because some one is careless, but because some one fails to do the right thing in an emergency. It is a noteworthy fact that the great decrease made in recent years in the industrial accident record has been the result of an attitude of mind that makes safety an essential, integral part of any industrial operation. Executives think in terms of safety, exactly as they think in terms of profit or production.

In many of the schools of the nation children, through the medium of graphic, interesting lessons, with an appeal to the imagination, are being taught accident prevention. They are shown that safety should be a major factor in any act. As a result, a coming generation will have a subconscious, automatic grasp of the accident problem that will save countless lives in future years. The work has already borne fine fruit in that the death and injury rate among children in schools where safety is part of the curriculum, is constantly decreasing.

Adult Americans can take a lesson in safety from the schools where their children are being educated and from the great employing industries. It is said that no one has a sound grasp of a foreign language until he can think in it; it exactly the same way, no one grasps the accident problem until safety is a constant factor in his mental process.

Ancestry of Canaries

Found Hard to Trace

Domestic canaries have been altered to such an extent by hundreds of years of selective breeding that their wild progenitors cannot be positively identified, states a writer in the Pathfinder Magazine. Their early history as cage-birds is obscure. It is generally supposed, however, that they sprang from a species of finch still found in the wild state in the Canary Islands, as well as Madeira, off the northwestern coast of Africa. The wild birds in the Canary Islands are grayish brown, sometimes varied with brighter hues, but they never have the beautiful plumage so common in the domestic varieties. According to the usual story, specimens of these wild birds were captured in the sixteenth century and domesticated in Italy, whence they were taken to other parts of the world. Canaries breed freely with the European goldfinch and certain other species, a fact which leads some authorities to believe that the domestic canary is the product of interbreeding and not the descendant of any one species. In the United States the common American goldfinch or thistle bird is sometimes called a "wild canary." This species, of course, is not a canary at all.

Oddly Worded Notices

Recorded by Traveler

What is the oddest notice you have seen in London? There is one posted on a famous Holborn church intimating that "Cats must not be fed in the churchyard," says a Star writer. Obvious literal errors would probably be excluded from any collection, otherwise the sign over a creche at Clapham, "Children mended here," would claim a place. I saw in the window of a florist the announcement, "Customers' own gardens nursed," but this was not more awkwardly expressed than the offer of another florist to provide "Flowers and bouquets for weddings, funerals, and all other celebrations." On the day when I had been reading an exhortation to cultivate "the telephone mind" I went into a small post office in a southern small town to see if I could make a call. "Oh, no," said the old lady in charge; "We haven't got it here. It's in the principal post office. It 'ud be too near if we had it, too." Some cultivation needed there! Too few people in England seem to have got the habit of regarding the telephone as a necessary convenience of life.

Agitation

The agitator brings us rest
And custom is reversed.
We should be Hoping for the Best—
He makes us fear the worst.

A Training Stunt

The Guide—That statue represents the disk thrower. Disk throwing was quite an important event in the Olympic games.

Mrs. Hiram Offun—I wonder if that's what my kitchen maid is practicing when she should be washing the dishes?

Expression Defined

The correctness of the expression "of that ilk" depends upon how it is used. It is a Scotch word, meaning "same." One could say "Fairfax of that ilk," meaning "Fairfax of Fairfax" if the estate bore the same name. "Of that ilk," does not mean of that sort, kind or class.

After the Unattainable

"He's on a hunt for blue roses"—to say this of anybody is to indicate that the person referred to is on a quest for unattainable objects.

This is a rather colorful expression which comes down to us from the days when there was no such thing as a blue rose.

As a matter of fact, this was the case until quite recently. For it was only a few years ago that the climbing rose called "Vellchenblau"—violet blue—was introduced by the Germans. Until the advent of this species of rose, the flower was cultivated only in the common varieties.—Kansas City Times.

A WHIZ THERE

"What experience have you had in writing 'business getter' letters?" asked the boss of the young man applying for a job.

"Well," he replied, "my father is a Scotchman and while in college I wrote him letters persuasive enough to pry him loose from money every time I wanted it."

"You'll do, name your own salary," said the boss.

Prescriptions

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And sends a bunch of bills.

Keeps to Itself

Sandy—Money surely talks.
Andy—But it never gives itself away.

Melancholy Contrast

Creation's proudest work we see
In man, philosophy affirms.
And yet, at times, man seems to be
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Helping Him Out

He—There was something I wanted to say to you, but I forgot what it was now.
She—Was it "good night"?

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His Wife—Fergit it! The doc ain't the business agent of your union.

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Poet—I think I shall call my new collection of poems "Secrets."
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Railroad Time Table

The following is the time of trains on new schedule, taking effect at 12:01, Sunday, Sept. 29, 1929.

DAILY:
NORTH BOUND
Arrives 11:29 a. m. 5:50 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 9:28 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

SUNDAYS:
NORTH BOUND
Arrives 9:12 a. m. 5:15 p. m.

SOUTH BOUND
Arrives 8:28 a. m. 4:37 p. m.

U. S. POST OFFICE
MAILS CLOSE:

FOR THE NORTH
11:10 a. m. 5:30 p. m.

FOR THE SOUTH
9:05 a. m. 4:15 p. m.

NEW BUS SERVICE
Bus service between Brattleboro and Northampton, week days, is as follows:

DAILY:
SOUTH BOUND
7:20 a. m. 1:40 p. m.

NORTH BOUND
SUNDAYS:

SOUTH BOUND
11:20 a. m. 1:50 p. m.

NORTH BOUND
12:20 p. m. 6:40 p. m.

25 Years Ago

Hinsdale: The Knitting club enjoyed a delightful afternoon and evening Thursday with Mrs. W. E. Fay. Christmas gifts, which were interchanged in a unique manner, afforded much amusement. A fine turkey dinner was served at 6 o'clock, to which the men were invited, after which all enjoyed the evening with whist.

Red Men Installed

District Deputy Sachem William R. Powers and suite installed the following officers of Squakheag Tribe, No. 27, I. O. R. M., Wednesday evening, Jan. 1. Sachem, Louis J. Deane; Senior Sagamore, Andrew A. Jackson; Junior Sagamore, Walter A. Carpenter; Prophet, Ralph C. Royce; Keeper of Records, Charles A. Fletcher; Collector of Wampum, Clarence Howe; Keeper of Wampum, Henry A. Worden; First Sannap, William R. Powers; First Warrior, Harry L. Bruce; Second Warrior, William Cunningham; Third Warrior, Dona Bergeron; Fourth Warrior, Carl H. Johnson; First Brave, Edward R. White; Second Brave, Ernest Kilhart; Third Brave, Paul A. Maginnis; Fourth Brave, Ernest W. Madocks; Guard of the Wigwam Forest, Leonard F. Detour. After the meeting, corn and venison were served.

Mrs. Elma Joslyn

Following only a few days' illness with pneumonia and heart trouble, Mrs. Elma J. (Heald) Joslyn, 56, widow of Charles A. Joslyn, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William A. Starkey, last Wednesday afternoon at 12:45 o'clock.

Born in Amherst, Mass., Nov. 25, 1873, she was one of six children of Charles A. and Mary Jeanette (Locke) Heald. Her marriage to Charles A. Joslyn took place at Pelham, Mass., on July 20, 1892. His death occurred several years ago.

Seven children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Joslyn and only two now survive. They are Mabel I., wife of Harlan Amidon of Brattleboro, Vt., and Myrtle E., wife of William A. Starkey, of Hinsdale.

Funeral services were held in the First Congregational Church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. Johnson A. Haines, pastor, officiating. Interment took place in the family lot in Vernon, Vt.

Mrs. Margaret C. Myers

Death claimed another of Hinsdale's life-long residents this week Monday morning at 10:15 o'clock in the passing of Mrs. Margaret C. Myers, widow of Milo J. Myers. Mrs. Myers had been crippled for a number of years, but during the past week she had suffered from an attack of influenza and heart trouble.

Born in Winchester, N. H., May 3, 1857, she was one of nine children of Thomas and Margaret Conway. She received her education in the schools at Northfield, Mass., and came to this town in 1871. On Jan. 17, 1880, she married Milo Jackson Myers. His death occurred in 1890. Two children were born to them: Annie F., who lives at Rome, and Lillian G., who is a teacher in the schools at Northampton, Mass. She also leaves two sisters, Miss Annie Conway and Miss Catherine Conway, and one brother, Mr. H. Conway, who all live at home.

Funeral services were held at the home this week Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment took place in the family lot in Pine Grove cemetery.

Mrs. Elizabeth Upham

Mrs. Elizabeth (Barbour) Upham, 74, widow of Charles Henry Upham, died Monday of last week at 9:30 a. m. at the home of her son, George O. Upham, where she had lived the past five years.

She was born in Falmouth, Me., Oct. 10, 1843. After her marriage to Mr. Upham, the couple made their home in Putney, Vt. Mr. Upham, who was a well known farmer, died 27 years ago. Mrs. Upham made her home on Colford street in West Brattleboro, Vt., about 25 years ago. She later went to Hamden, Mass., coming to Hinsdale five years ago. Besides her son, she leaves a half-sister, Miss Julia Upham of Holvok, Mass.; four granddaughters and one grandson.

Funeral services were held at the home Wednesday afternoon at 1 o'clock. Rev. Paul P. Swarthout of

Brattleboro, officiating. Mrs. Upham had retained her membership in the West Brattleboro Baptist church, which she joined many years ago.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our thanks to Dr. Brown and nurse, Mrs. Bevis, for their help and thoughtfulness; the friends and neighbors for their kind deeds; also for the many floral tributes, for our dear mother and sister that has gone.
MR. and MRS. H. F. AMIDON, MR. and MRS. WILLIAM STARKEY, MR. and MRS. CLINTON JOSLYN, Hinsdale, N. H., Jan. 13.

Largely attended funeral services for Sidney S. Strouse, formerly of Hinsdale, were held at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning of last week at his home in Brattleboro. Golden Rule lodge F. and A. M., of Hinsdale, of which he was a member, conducted the service. Harold R. Weeks, as master of the lodge, had charge, assisted by Robert A. Weeks, district deputy grand master. Many Masons attended, also representatives of Wantastiquet Grange of Hinsdale, Bingham Chapter, No. 30, O. E. S., of Brattleboro, and Brattleboro Lodge of Elks. Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Perkins of Dorchester, Mass., and others from Massachusetts attended the funeral. The body was taken to New York city, where burial took place Wednesday morning in Salem Fields cemetery in Brooklyn, following a service in the chapel there.

The officers of Naomi Chapter, No. 38, O. E. S., were installed Monday evening, Jan. 6, by Mrs. Dolly Watkins, P. M., assisted by Mrs. Madelon Taylor, P. M., as marshal, and Mrs. Goldsmith, P. M. of Winchester, as chaplain. A bountiful supper was served at 6:30 o'clock. Mrs. Mollie H. Booth was in charge of the dining room and Mrs. Hattie Dickerman was in charge of the supper. During the installation, vocal selections were rendered by Miss Martha Holland and Clifford Ormsby of Brattleboro.

The officers for the year 1930 are: W. M., Mrs. Susan Holland; W. P., E. Gordon Moyer; associate, P. Paul Chamberlain; associate, M. Mrs. Jessie McGuigan; cond., Mrs. Margaret Street; associate cond., Miss Helen Chamberlain; treasurer, Mrs. Luella Street; secretary, Mrs. Marion Powers; marshal, Mrs. Maud Taylor; Adah, Miss Elizabeth Kimball; Ruth, Mrs. Clara Welch; Esther, Miss Dorothy Barrett; Martha, Mrs. Alice Spaulding; Electa, Mrs. Mildred Chamberlain; warder, Mrs. Dora Smith; sentinel, Roger Streeter; pianist, Miss Marion Dickerman.

Miss Winnie Tilden visited friends in Brattleboro last week.

Miss Lottie Hastings spent a few days last week in Brattleboro. Leon Rec, proprietor of the Home Bakery, has purchased a new Ford truck.

Miss Alice Peters of Bennington was a guest last week of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spaulding.

Mrs. Sidney W. Stearns has been visiting Mrs. S. S. Strouse and daughter, Lorraine, in Brattleboro, Vt., for a few days.

Miss Myrtle Flanders of Washington, D. C., Red Cross director, made an official visit to the Hinsdale chapter on Wednesday, Jan. 8.

There was a fair attendance at the dance, which was conducted in the Town hall last Friday evening. Music was furnished by Nat Schutzman and his orchestra.

All are again reminded that the annual concert and ball, under the auspices of the local fire department, will be held in the Town hall tonight (Friday). Music will be furnished by Williamson's orchestra of eight pieces. A large attendance is desired.

Several members of Naomi chapter, No. 38, O. E. S., visited the chapter at Winchester, Wednesday evening, Jan. 3. Mrs. Dolly Watkins, past worthy matron, was installing officer, assisted by Mrs. Madelon Taylor as marshal, and Mrs. Maude Taylor as chaplain. Both past worthy matrons, all of Naomi chapter, installed the officers of the sister chapter.

Mrs. Thomas Butler entertained the Mary E. Bradley Mission Circle Thursday afternoon, Jan. 2. Mrs. Butler was 82 years "young" on New Year's day. Refreshments were served, which was a handsomely decorated birthday cake. Mrs. F. S. Leonard presented the hostess with a bouquet of assorted carnations in behalf of the circle. Mrs. C. D. Fay had charge of the study hour and the devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. F. S. Leonard.

AGRICULTURAL WORK
IN NORTHFIELD, 1929

Community meetings were held at Northfield, Northfield Farms and So. Vernon. Four hundred were in attendance at these meetings. Moving pictures illustrating the better methods of agriculture, home-making and club work were shown, reports given by the women and plans for another year discussed.

A pest hunt, pruning and grafting demonstrations were held in the orchards of the Northfield school, which were well attended. Professor Thies gave an illustrated talk on the control of insects, pests and fungus diseases of fruit. Orchards were visited later and checked over, but the quality of the fruit was not sufficiently good to make the 80% Clean Club. One farm was investigated to advise on its adaptability to a fruit orchard, but this could not be advised. Soils were tested and advice given on seeding to grassland on the management of small farms.

Investigation was made of the quality of brands of fertilizer and advice was given on the growing of berries. Poultry raisers were visited and advice given on control of poultry diseases, on feeding, housing and management. Assistance was given in the purchase and sale of stock. Advice was given on the growing of alfalfa. Advice was also given on the planting of land to white pine for forest purposes. Farm visits were made with dairymen and meetings arranged to assist in better marketing of milk and in improving the Springfield milk market, co-operating with the N. E. M. P. A. Judged at the Northfield Grange.

Many Thanks

We wish to thank every one, through the Press, for the active response to our request for suggestions. We have already used many in our preparations for the big show. We have accumulated some wonderful talent and have arranged it in such a manner as to insure a splendid evening's entertainment, full of clever short sketches, excellent musical numbers on different types of instruments, blackface comedians with a wholesome line of laugh-producing jokes. Something new. Come and see for yourself. The date is set for Jan. 27. Keep it open for this benefit home talent review. Tickets are now available. There will be a reserved section at 50 cents per seat; general tickets at 35 cents, and children under 15 years will be admitted for 25 cents. The tickets will be on sale at various places. Call Northfield 22-3, for information as to where you can procure yours.
American Legion Entertainment Committee.

Brattleboro Charity Ball

The annual charity ball of the Brattleboro Lodge of Elks they are planning to hold Thursday evening, Jan. 23, promises to be the most elaborate of

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Ferdinando's orchestra has been engaged for the evening, which insures music lovers of an enjoyable evening from the opening of their novelty concert until the closing hour of the ball at 1 o'clock. The admission price to the ball includes everything, as in the past.

Brattleboro Lodge of Elks is one of the most active charitable organizations anywhere in this vicinity and has assisted many people during the few years that it has been in existence. The entire proceeds from the annual ball is used exclusively for charity, not a nickel is used for any other purpose.

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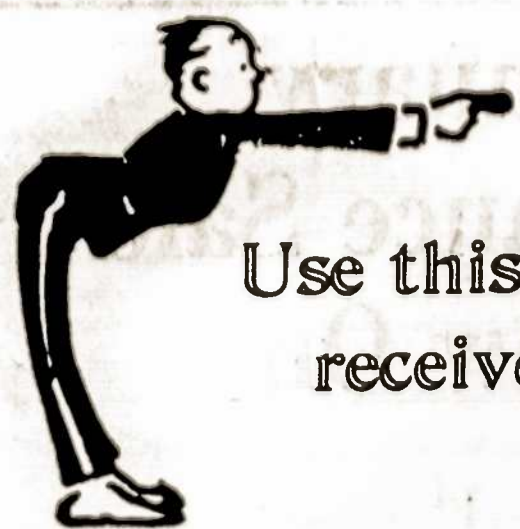
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Taxes paid by the petroleum industry last year exceeded \$100,000,000. Of this total, which does not include taxes paid by pipe line companies, \$82,308,285 was in taxes and fees on oil and gas production, oil inspection, licenses, permits and miscellaneous levies. In addition to these taxes paid directly by the industry, every State now taxes gasoline and some tax lubricating oil. Gasoline taxes last year alone totaled \$305,000,000 and it seems that this year they will aggregate \$450,000,000.

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This new musical extravaganza proves to be a sensational follow-up for the immensely popular "The Broadway Melody." Designed on the order of a sumptuous Broadway revue, it contains not only the pick of the song, dance and monologue talent from the M. G. M. studio, but also a number of outstanding stage celebrities.

Twenty new songs make their appearance in this production. Sammy Lee, who staged a number of Ziegfeld shows as well as other New York musical productions, was in charge of the chorus of 72 carefully selected girls and boys and has turned out ensemble numbers that could not be beaten on any stage. Harry Rapf, unit producer, has accomplished something for which he may well be proud.

"Singin' in the Rain" is the outstanding song number, but there are a dozen songs which promise to become hits. Tremendous applause was given the "Orange Blossom" number and the military drill specialty. Interspersed with the scenic gorgeousness and snappy melodies are comedy "gags" that had the audience in convulsions.

Among the stars and famous stage personages who appear are Marion Davis, Anita Page, Bessie Love and Charles King, the trio who scored so heavily in "The Broadway Melody." Joan Crawford, John Gilbert, William Haines, Conrad Nagel, Buster Keaton, Norma Shearer, Karl Dane, George K. Arthur, Gwen Lee, Marie Dressler, Polly Moran, "Ukulele Ike" (Cliff Edwards), the Brox Sisters, Natacha Natova, Jack Benney, the Albertina Rasch ballet and the Rounders.

Added to this program will be the Fox movie news of the world latest events, also a singing and talking technicolor novelty, "Song of the Island," a tropical story with songs and dances by native Hawaiians in the beaches.

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Notice is hereby given that the subscribers have been duly appointed executors of the will of Francis Schell late of New York in the State of New York, deceased, testate, leaving estate in the County of Franklin and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and have taken upon themselves that trust by giving bonds as the law directs, and have appointed as their agent in Massachusetts, Albert G. Moody of East Northfield, Mass.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to **MARY STEWART SCHELL, NICHOLAS P. RYDER,** Executors.

Address: 21 East 62nd St., 5493 Fieldston Road, Riverdale, October 15th, 1929.

COMMONWEALTH of MASSACHUSETTS. PROBATE COURT. FRANKLIN, SS. Case 23762

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of Mary M. Holton late of Northfield, in said County, deceased. WHEREAS, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, has been presented to said Court for probate by Lucy Holton Poithead, of said Northfield, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond:

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Greenfield, in said County of Franklin, on the third Tuesday of January A. D. 1930, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in the Northfield Press, a newspaper published in said Northfield, the last publication to be one day at least before Court, and by mailing, postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days before said Court.

Witness: **FRANCIS NIMS THOMPSON,** Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine. **JOHN C. LEE,** Register

"I've Been Reading"

By WILDER BUELL

THE ROAD TO OREGON, by W. J. Ghent, Longmans Green & Company, pages 248, price \$5.00.

The history of America is one of the great romances of all time. From the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers to the Great War, our land has marched steadily forward through a series of events that would have been even more astonishing if they had not followed one another in such rapid succession. The founding of the first settlements in the wilderness, the establishment of political and religious liberties, the opening of the West, the liberation of the slaves, the building up of our industrial system, our recent entrance into world affairs with the hope of establishing universal peace, any one of these things is enough to make a nation famous. All together they make us glorious.

But it has all come so thick and fast. One event has followed another so quickly that we do not always realize how vivid and interesting the history of the United States has been. It is time that we looked back a little and realized how much we have accomplished. That is why books like the one under review are valuable and well worth reading.

This is the story of the opening of the Far West. It is not a new topic. We have had books on the subject before, "The Covered Wagon," based on the novel by Emerson Hough, that was a beautiful and thrilling account in visual form of this episode in history. But there have not been many scholarly works in recent years based on the opening of the lands beyond the mountains. Most of them have been lighter fiction, or fictionalized accounts. This book is sound and draws from original, some of them not hitherto published, sources. At the same time it is simply and entertainingly told so that the general reader may enjoy it.

It is especially valuable to read such books as this in view of the coming Centenary. For the history of New England is the history of the whole country. There is no great event in all the story of the making of America that has not had at its center a group of New England men. There were New Englanders in every important movement of the population westward. In a book reviewed recently, "Grandmother Brown's Hundred Years," we read of the New England influence in the making of Ohio. In this book, again, we realize how much New England had to do with the development of the Far West. That is why a birthday party of one of the New England States, such as the coming Tercentenary, is of interest to the whole country. For it is a well-known slogan, New England is everybody's old home.

On the other hand, it is just as well to realize that other parts of the country also have their history and their traditions. Especially in view of the popularity of works of fiction of the type known as "Western" it is well to read occasionally a sound and scholarly book on the same subject, in order that we may not get the idea that the West of song and story is a figment of the imagination. It is a real land, and a beautiful land, in spite of the many silly books about it.

Fighting Arson

Appreciable progress has been made in recent years in the war against arson, according to the National Board of Fire Underwriters. In 27 States stricter laws have been adopted with heavier penalties inflicted on offenders. Public opinion, realizing that arson is one of the most despicable of crimes, is at last making itself felt. In 1928 there were 549 arrests for arson and 274 convictions. Of our annual half-billion dollar fire loss, \$200,000,000 is attributable to unknown causes. Much of this total results from incendiarism.

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The first men called together were those unassuming individuals—railroad presidents. They seek no halo and they make few speeches. They transport the food, manufactured products and people of the nation. As a bread and butter proposition, this is more important than political pyrotechnics. They quietly assured the President that railroad operation would go on as usual and promised the expenditures of over one billion dollars in extensions and improvements in 1930.

Who was called? Just ordinary, hard working public utility executives. It was essential that there be no let-up in electrical development. Without argument or hesitation they pledged hundreds of millions of dollars for the 1930 construction program.

Thus was hysteria relieved by the calm assurance of industrial leaders that great basic industries would continue on uninterrupted development programs. The wage earner had a graphic illustration of the importance of industries to which we all must look for our supply of bread and butter.

What a contrast to months of speech-making and political bickering if such a matter had been put up to Congress for "quick" action. Controversies would have immediately arisen as to "where" the money was to be spent. As it is, private industry will spend it where it is needed to render necessary public service rather than where it will best settle political debts.

It is action, not hot air, that counts

Adventures in Philanthropy

A forthcoming book by Dr. James L. Barton, greatest American expert on Near Eastern questions, will be entitled "The Story of the Near East Relief or 'An Adventure in Philanthropy.'" The book will deal mainly with the effects of this gigantic philanthropy on the countries where it has operated during the past 14 years.

Dr. Barton, who himself has traveled in the Near East for the greater part of the past 45 years as the head of the American Board educational, religious and philanthropic activities, is so sound a judge of Near Eastern problems that he was chosen as the American Government's advisor at the Lausanne peace conference. His observations on America's great overseas philanthropy, of which he has been chairman from its beginning, will be sound, intelligent and interesting, not only for this generation, but for the future generations of Americans who will undoubtedly desire to build new structures of benevolence on the foundations thus laid.

The countries which have been affected by the operations of Near East Relief include all the so-called Bible lands, together with Turkey, Greece, Russia and Persia. "All of these countries," says Dr. Barton, "are entering upon new periods of intellectual, social and economic development. As a result of profound American influence, they are breaking with the conservative, hampering traditions of the past, and are seeking new methods of modern education, social health and economic betterment."

Dr. Barton points out that American leadership will inevitably be sought by all these countries in the period of reconstruction which will be their principal activity during the next 20 years. Their hope for the future, he asserts, lies in a continuance of American interest in their welfare.

Slaves of the Shovel

The Ancient Order of Slaves of the Coal Shovel is on the wane, judging from the annual report of the Bureau of Mines on fuel oil distribution. In half a million homes and fully as many commercial and public buildings, the human stoker has been replaced by machinery which burns fuel oil and takes the place of the old coal burner.

The New Spirit

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Denunciations of the industry cannot cloak facts. All one needs to do is to think back 10 or 20 years to the time when electricity was provided by small local plants. Think of the standards of service and the rate structure, then and now. It is not shallow flattery to say the electric industry has made amazing progress under private control—it is a most obvious fact.

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12:00 noon—Sunday school.
7:00 p. m.—Young People's Society.
8:00 p. m.—Evening service; Hawaii—Winning the Crossroads of the Pacific for Christ; pictures.

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3:15 p. m.—Girl Scouts.
8:00 p. m.—The Friendly class at The Northfield.

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3:00 p. m.—Women's Bible class with Mrs. Bessie Symonds.
8:00 p. m.—The Brotherhood; supper and program.

THURSDAY

7:30 p. m.—Week evening service.
8:30 p. m.—Church committee meeting.

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7:00 p. m.—Boys' Brigade.
SATURDAY
3:00 p. m.—Berean class with Mrs. Percy Hart.
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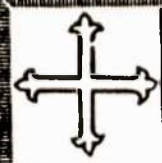
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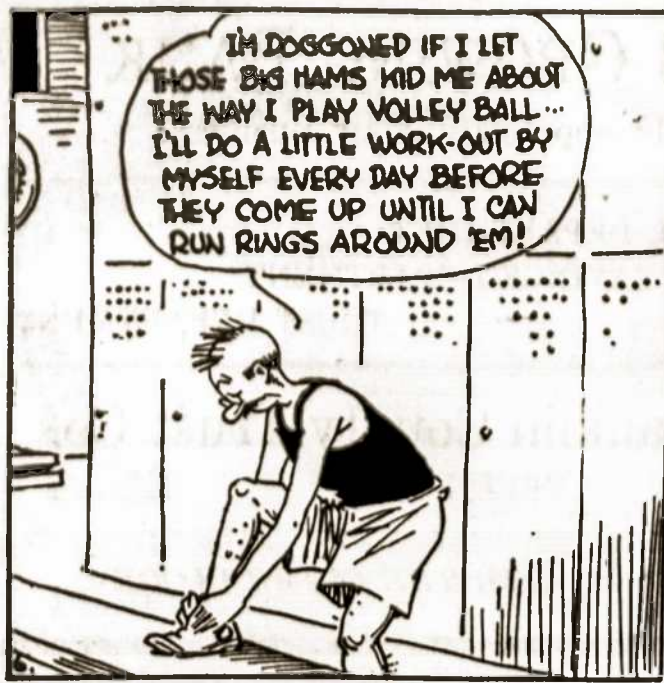
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KURT ROHMER brought his low-bung yellow roadster to a stop in front of the Mooseville general store to read the flaming poster in the window.

"I'll go down to the big shindig," he thought.

The big roadster shot down the highway toward the fair grounds, leaving a trail of dust and of gasping natives in its wake. He could hear the throb of a motor in the air, and he drew the Yellow Tiger—it was his name for the car—up to the edge of the field just as the plane zoomed over the hill and banked for the downward swoop.

Fascinated, he saw it come nearer and nearer. It lifted a little—lost altitude again—and shot right at the car. Instinctively Kurt ducked. There was the roar of a thousand devils in his ears, a rending tear of canvas, and the plane shot upward, hanging in shreds from its wheels was all that was left of the canvas top of the car. Kurt drew a long breath. He thrust his head upward through the twisted remnants of metal. "Human comet—my hat!" he whistled softly. "That

guy must be a meteor!" He watched the plane circle over the field and swoop down to land at the far end of the grounds. The pilot jumped from the cockpit and came dashing across the field.

"I'm awfully sorry I scalped your car!" With a single gesture the Flying Ace snatched off helmet and goggles and tossed back an unruly mop of wavy chestnut hair. "I—I didn't mean to, really."

Kurt's eyes opened wide with amazement. Why, this was just a girl—Aubrey Weston! He grinned at her. "What do you do with the scalps you collect? Hang 'em on the propeller for a souvenir?"

"Oh, this is really my first scalp. You ought to be honored!"

Mr. Barnard came running up to her. "I'm sorry, Miss Weston, but I'll have to cancel that agreement I made with you. These people have all seen loops before. That's nothing new."

Kurt somehow hated to see the hurt in her eyes.

Suddenly she smiled. "Want to go up?"

The game little kid! She wouldn't admit she was beaten. Well, he wouldn't go back on her now. "Let 'er go!" he called.

Aubrey was flying a bit wild. She taxied bumpily over the ground, gained altitude with an upward sweep, that set Kurt's ears ringing, and zoomed off toward the lake. Suddenly she banked and headed back in the direction of the fair. Over the edge of the pit Kurt could see the millions of black specks that were the people.

They were directly over the field when it happened. Aubrey was flying high. Perhaps they hit an air pocket; perhaps almost anything. But there they were headed for the earth with a sickening speed. There was Aubrey standing in her cockpit,

frantically signaling him to jump; there was Kurt waving back at her and shaking his head. There was the hard ground coming up fast to meet them. And suddenly there was a jerk, a shudder of the whole plane, a rocking in the air, and the machine straightened out and slid along level with the ground, just above the hill.

As they taxied across the field, Kurt could hear above the roar of the motor the shouting of the crowd. They swarmed around the plane. Mr. Barnard came pushing through to Aubrey.

"That was marvelous!" he said. "Great heavens, the man thought she had done it on purpose. 'That was wonderful, Miss Weston. A remarkable exhibition of control. I'll take back what I said about the contract. And I'll give you another hundred to do it again!'"

Kurt leaned over the edge of the pit. "She won't do it again today, Mr. Barnard," he said. "That was the grand climax. The show is over."

He held out his hand to Aubrey as she climbed from the plane. "Come over to the car," he said. They drove silently away to a quiet spot.

Aubrey looked very small and white. "Now, we'll hear just what it was that happened up there, anyway," he told her, but his voice was very gentle.

"It slipped," said Aubrey. "I thought it you'd jump. It would be all right. But when you stayed, I just sat down, again and grabbed that stick—like—like! I couldn't let anything happen to you!"

A few minutes later she said softly, "I guess I'm not much of an Ace. I'm only a Joker."

And Kurt answered tenderly, "Oh, Aubrey, you're not only an Ace, but a Queen—of Hearts."

Paganini as a Father

Paganini's greatest relaxation was spoiling his son. No childish whim was too unreasonable to be gratified and his patience was really maternal. Once, when the child had broken a leg, the doctor ordered absolute repose, but no one could keep the little one still. Paganini sat with the child in his lap for eight days, caressing and entertaining him. Finally he became dazed from continual sitting and the doctor insisted on his going out. He had accomplished his purpose, however, for the young bones had knit together properly. From "Paganini" of Genoa, by Lillian Day.

Stone That Floats

There is no other instance in nature of the fusing of quartz in the absence of a flux, except by the action of lightning striking sand or a mountain top. Science has named this product fulgurite glass. At the crater there are many wonderful specimens of sandstone seemingly so fused. In some cases the quartz is fused into lumps of opalescent material, but more frequently the sandstone has been puffed up and distorted, owing to the steam produced by the water which was in the stone at the time the outer and very highly heated part of the advancing meteoric mass was in close contact with the rock. Innumerable water-tight cavities, as in pumice, were formed by the steam, so that large and small masses of this peculiar and most interesting sandstone will float like a cork.

No Record of Wren's Work

There is comparatively no evidence to prove that there are any spires on American churches designed by Sir Christopher Wren. Certainly he did not visit this country. Sir Christopher Wren was born in 1630 and died in 1723. Between the years 1670 and 1711 he designed 53 London churches. There are comparatively few churches in this country that were built prior to 1723. Among the early churches or meeting houses, erected in the manner of Sir Christopher Wren, are Christ church, Philadelphia (A. D. 1727); St. Philip, Charleston (A. D. 1733); St. Paul, New York (A. D. 1707), and St. Michael, Charleston (A. D. 1752), of which the probable architect was Gibbs, the designer of the Radcliffe Library, Oxford.

Famous Colonial Hall

The trees on the front terrace of Carvel hall, at Annapolis, Md., are between 250 and 300 years old. They are alanthus trees, the Chinese "tree of Heaven." No one seems to know how they happened to be planted on the front terrace of Carvel hall. They were brought from China in a sailing ship considerably more than 200 years ago. The house in front of which they stand is the Prince George street entrance of Carvel Hall hotel. It was built in 1764 by William Paca, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and the third governor of Maryland.

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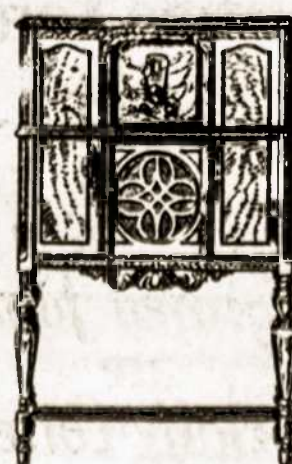


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